

Livestock Facility Siting

Odor Management Plan

Is an odor management plan required?

No. An odor management plan is optional. Applicants that are required or choose to meet the odor standard may write and follow an odor management plan in order to receive credit towards meeting the standard.

What must an odor management plan contain?

An odor management plan must address all of the following:

- Activities to reduce community conflict
- Practices to reduce dust
- Practices to reduce odor from feed storage leachate
- Practices to conserve water
- Practices to reduce odor from dead animals

Can a local government require specific activities in the odor management plan?

No. Applicants determine plan contents, as long as the plan addresses all of the required components. However, applicants may wish to consult with the local government to discuss what activities and practices to include in the plan.

How much credit does an applicant receive for writing and following an odor management plan?

An applicant that writes and agrees to follow an optional odor management plan will receive 20 points credit towards meeting the odor management standard.

What types of activities may help to reduce community conflict?

Many activities can help reduce community conflict over livestock facilities. While this list is not inclusive, some activities operators have successfully used to help reduce community conflict include:

- Providing car wash coupons to neighbors
- Giving neighbors notice before agitating manure pits or spreading manure
- Not spreading manure during holidays, community events and neighbor celebrations
- Cleaning roads if manure or mud is on it
- Hosting a community picnic or open house

For more information contact the livestock siting program manager at 608-224-4613.